GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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LAYING OF RAILWAY LINE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work of new rail line being laid along Ahmednagar, Parli and Beed is getting affected due to shortage of funds;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government proposes to make special budget provision for speedy completion of the said rail line project;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (e): Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli (250 km) new line project has been taken up at an anticipated cost of Rs.2820 crore with 50:50 cost sharing between Ministry of Railways and Government of Maharashtra. An expenditure of Rs.333.92 crore has been incurred upto March, 2014 and an outlay of Rs.40 crores has been provided in Budget 2014-15. It is a fact that this project is getting affected due to shortage of funds, as Railways have huge throwforward of ongoing projects and limited overall availability of funds. As such, it is not possible to allocate adequate funds to all the ongoing projects including Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli on a regular basis.